

# Delaware Bicycle Council October 1, 2008 DelDOT Administration Building Meeting Minutes

# **Members Present**

Fred Breukelman, Dept. of Public Health Representative Walt Bryan, Sussex County Representative Tom Felice, DelDOT Representative Thomas Hartley, Kent County Representative Mike Krumrine, DNREC Representative Amy Wilburn, Chair & At- Large Representative Terry Berl, Smyrna Parks & Recreation Council

### **DelDOT Support Staff Present**

Fritz Schranck, Deputy Attorney General, DelDOT Jennifer Baldwin, Pedestrian Coordinator Kari Glanden, Administrative Assistant

# **Members Absent**

Don Carbaugh, New Castle County Representative Sgt. George Heberling, DE State Police Representative Judith Jeffers, At-Large Representative Lisa Moore, Office of Highway Safety Doug Mills, New Castle County Representative John Ray, Dept. of Education Robert Witsil, At-Large Representative Anthony Aglio, Bike Coordinator, DelDOT Lisa Lasher, Delaware Greenways Amy Hughes, NMSS- Delaware Chapter

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 pm

# I. Welcome and Introductions

All members introduced themselves and Amy Wilburn and Jennifer Baldwin welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### II. Old Business

# Indian River Inlet Bridge

Jennifer Baldwin passed around the new plan for the members to review. She commented that there would be 10 foot shoulders on both sides along with a 12 foot pedestrian path with barriers.

Fritz Schranck informed the members that the timeframe for the completion is mid 2011. He stated that the artist rendering and more details could be could be located online. There are also open railing designs for cyclists and pedestrians to have an unobstructed view of the ocean/in-let. Heavy construction is slated to start next year. There will also be project tours available next year.

### Newsletter

Jennifer Baldwin has articles for the current newsletter; it will be up for review by the end of next week. The next newsletter is in December, please start working on articles and get them submitted.

### East Coast Greenways

Jennifer Baldwin met with East Coast Greenways and hashed out the new Rt. 9 through New Castle to Rt. 72, interim route until everything gets placed. Next on the agenda is a greenway guide combined with Pennsylvania's guide and combine a Delaware section. Signage is also and issue that needs to be addressed.

### III. NEW BUSINESS

# Wilmington Bike Plan

Amy Wilburn is looking for comments on the plan. Amy is looking for comments on the facilities etc. She will be meeting with WILMAPCO on November 13<sup>th</sup> to go over the plan. She would like to have the Council push to help fund this plan.

Jennifer Baldwin added that cyclists are able to map out their route on the web-site.

Amy Wilburn suggested the comments can be made on the web-site and cyclist can also note if they have a good route they follow.

# The Fun Bunch

The Fun Department could not make this meeting they have been moved to the December agenda.

# Georgetown to Lewes Rail – Trail

Walt Bryan asked the status of this project since the plan has been done and nothing came of the findings.

Jennifer Baldwin advised the Council that another study was being done. There is currently in field economic and environmental studies being done. There are also plans of a steering committee being formed and hope to have another meeting on this issue before the end of the year.

Mike Krumrine informed the Council of Delaware Parks working the Clayton/Easton Trail. There are insurance issues with Delaware and Maryland that are currently holding up progress on this project.

Jennifer Baldwin stated that signage is being worked on for the Junction Breakwater trail at the crossings and other areas.

Mike Krumrine stated that State Parks is working on mileage markers for Junction Breakwater Trail. The signs should be in place within the next few weeks.

### Statewide Bicycle Summit

Amy Wilburn suggested "How communities become more bike able?" as the theme for the summit. She requested the council need to find finding resources for political support, funding and if the different bike communities coming together to support the summit more could be accomplished. She would like to see more education in the local police forces, and schools in the driver education programs. There will be a survey coming out to local clubs, groups and organizations about what issues, ideas, and goals are priority. This will allow the Council to figure out what direction to go in with the summit. She also asked the Council if they all agree that Delaware Bicycle Council should be the Host of the summit. All agreed. She also suggested local bicycle shops, insurance agencies, banks and pharmaceutical companies be approached as sponsors of the summit.

THE MEETING ADJORNED AT 7:05 p.m.